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3. PAKISTAN: SECTARIAN CLASHES.

PAKISTAN HAS SEALED OFF A STRATEGIC SALIENT ON ITS BORDER WITH AFGHANISTAN AND MAY HAVE TO USE ARMY TROOPS TO HALT SERIOUS DISTURBANCES THAT BEGAN THERE EARLIER THIS WEEK. FIVE MEN OF A LOCAL MILITIA UNIT WERE KILLED WHEN IT ATTEMPTED TO HALT FIGHTING IN THE KURRAM AGENCY BETWEEN SUNNI AND SHIA TRIBESMEN. AND A CEASE-FIRE ARRANGED BY SENIOR PAKISTANI OFFICIALS LASTED ONLY HOURS. AS THE FIGHTING SPREAD. AFGHAN REFUGEES--WHO OUTNUMBER THE LOCAL POPULATION--REPORTEDLY BECAME INVOLVED ON THE SIDE OF THE LOCAL SUNNIS. [redacted]

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FIGHTING TO FORESTALL ANY ATTEMPT BY MOSCOW AND KABUL TO EXPLOIT OLD RIVALRIES AND GROWING TENSIONS BETWEEN REFUGEES AND LOCAL TRIBESMEN IN KURRAM, WHICH PROVIDES INSURGENTS WITH A MAJOR INFILTRATION ROUTE INTO AFGHANISTAN.

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